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Capt. Orion Larson, master of the American President Lines vessel Lightning, is shown tossing the Lenoir Rhyne bottles with pilot balloons attached, into the China sea.

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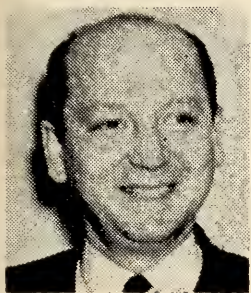
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"A CHRISTIAN CHALLENGE"



Dear Alumni:

Our college belongs to a group of educational institutions widely recognized as having a vital and strategic role in the troubled world situation. The group consists of the small independent colleges of our country, institutions which are privately supported and rely upon gifts rather than taxes to supplement their tuition fees.

Many of us are deeply concerned about the current trend toward the welfare state, the increasing centralization of authority in government, and the impending dangers of absolute totalitarianism. We know where our allegiance is in the battle now raging for the souls of men between atheistic communism and Christian democracy.

Regard for the rights and responsibilities of the individual, freedom of enterprise, encouragement of individual initiative, development of self-reliance—these are treasures of the heritage we have received and enjoyed in America. In the perpetuation and extension of such blessings we see the only hope for a worthwhile future.

The most likely and effective exponents of Christian democracy in educational circles are our small, independent colleges, particularly the church-related colleges. Most of these schools have had to struggle for their very life. They owe their existence to the devotion and labors of courageous and sacrificial souls.

A growing number of citizens are raising their voices in behalf of the private and church-related colleges. They recognize that these small independent institutions, which teach self-reliance and practice it, have a distinct contribution in determining the basic philosophy of our social structure.

Lenoir Rhyne College, like the other schools of this class, is dependent upon her sons and daughters in order to continue and expand her service in behalf of truth, freedom and democracy. Moral support is essential, but it is not enough. Practical help in the form of material contributions is indispensable.

In a time like this, when unfavorable circumstances threaten the future of the small liberal arts college, we must offer our Alma Mater our dollars, as well as our blessing, if we believe she has a significant role in shaping the kind of future we want for ourselves and our children.

VOIGT R. CROMER, President.

OUR DEADLINE IS NEAR

Dear Alumni:

We have organized local Alumni Chapters in Catawba and Rowan Counties within the last two months. The interest and enthusiasm shown at the organizational meetings of these chapters has been very encouraging. Very soon we hope to organize chapters in other counties. If you are called upon to help with this work, please lend the Alumni Association a hand.

It is my firm belief that we must have active local chapters in order to have a closely knit, strong, and progressive Alumni Association. To build a greater Lenoir Rhyne College we must have your loyal support.

In times such as we are experiencing today, every red-blooded American should faithfully support his college. The American College forms one of the firm foundations upon which this country has been built.

Think of what value you can be to your college—LENOIR RHYNE COLLEGE!

D. R. MAUNEY, JR., President Alumni Association.





The World Learns About Lenoir Rhyne

Tuesday, January 15, was a balmy day in Hickory, a nice day for visiting the airport. And several Lenoir Rhyne students were at the Hickory terminal that day, but not necessarily to take in the scenery.

They watched the twin-engine Capital Airline ship lift from the runway, carrying with it four large boxes. These boxes represented a lot of student work; but moreover they were instruments which later focused unprecedented national attention on the small Lutheran campus.

Thirteen days later the story began to appear. It ticked over the news wires from Hickory to San Francisco, rolled in presses all over the country, flashed in newsreel previews in New York and was on its way to millions of readers in the pages of Life magazine.

The story was simple: The students of Lenoir Rhyne, with the aid of translators in the New York Chinese institute, had written 1,023 personal letters of encouragement to the Chinese people, inserted them in plastic bottles, added several small items of usefulness and dropped them off the coast of China to be washed ashore. The Plax corporation of Hartford, Conn., had supplied the bottles, Capital Airlines had flown them to San Francisco, and an American President Lines steamers would drop them in the Yellow Sea.

But the simplicity was news. The story appeared in *The Japan News* of Tokyo and *The Singapore Strait News*. Three television shows asked for more information to use in broadcasts. National, state and local publications of varied descriptions requested additional pictures and data on the project.

From the United States Department of State came the request for all picture negatives to be used in foreign and domestic propaganda publications. Trade news services demanded details and an American Chinese newspaper made arrangements to feature Lenoir Rhyne in its special student edition. Foundations for cooperative efforts toward peace wanted to know more. Almost fifty days later the college was still answering requests.

News of the program was still being

flushed, when the first of many complimentary remarks found their way to the college. From individuals, foundations, businesses and newspapers came congratulatory notes and letters of thanks.

Leading the response were two native Chinese—one a professor, the other a student. Dr. K. K. Woo, instructor in psychology at Roosevelt college of Chicago, concluded his letter to the student body with these words: "Bless your hearts for the good job you have done in saving the traditional American-Chinese friendship."

Mrs. Doris Max, a native of Shanghai, China, now attending the University of Iowa, declared, "It is a wonderful idea . . . I know your tidings will be more than welcome to the oppressed people over there."

How many newspapers commented on the project through their editorial columns has not been determined, but it is known that seven publications of the immediate area called attention to the Lenoir Rhyne student venture with high praise for its aim toward peace.

The Hickory Daily Record, which told the story of the operation with extensive use of pictures and copy and aroused interest in the project with a series of three editorials, openly declared, "We are proud of Lenoir Rhyne college for this original and distinctive contribution to democracy, in a constructive and clever move to counteract Communism".

" . . . It indicates again", *The Greensboro Daily News* pointed out, "that the people may be far ahead of their leaders in thinking about, and acting on, world problems. It also shows that nobody is too insignificant or remote to make his own individual contribution and that peace, indeed, will not be found until all of us take the time and give the energy to do it."

A similar view was taken by the *Winston-Salem Journal* in an observation that the project "demonstrates the fact that in the world struggle for the minds of men there is something which each group, each individual can do. It is only bleak defeatism which insists that the individual of our times is helpless in the thrall of events

which threaten humanity either with all-out atomic war or enslavement by totalitarianism”.

This fact was illustrated by *The Portsmouth (Va.) Star*. The editor pointed out that the preparation of the 1,000 bottles “is a very tiny project, like a grain or two of salt in the great boiling pot of the Chinese problem. But, like a bit of salt it may do some good”.

The program was described as “a spontaneous expression of American youths acting for peace and understanding among people of opposed lands” by *The Concord Tribune*. “It has solidified the students behind a joint undertaking of a service nature, it has focused their attention on a foreign land where their help is needed, it has projected their personalities beyond the campus and across the seas”.

The Gastonia Gazette also congratulated the students on the “most commendable” project, and assured its readers that such a program “certainly should be as effective as floating message-bearing balloons across the Iron Curtain”.

In addition, *The Rocky Mount Telegram* tossed a bouquet in its editorial declaring “the Lenoir Rhyne students are to be congratulated for doing their part in trying to bring about a better world”.

For many people hearing of the project, the idea held great promise and deserved adoption by other groups. A Greensboro man enclosed a check for ten dollars in his letter to help in possible future shipments. The Koinonia Foundation of Baltimore, Md., described as “A Christian Enterprise for World Service”, desired details of the operation for possible use, and Lincoln Hang, editor of the student service division of the Chinese Tribune, offered the services of his staff and facilities for any possible future needs in translating or printing.

Graduates and friends of the college were generous in their commendation of the project. Helen Kreider of Hicksville, N. Y., enclosed a clipping from the New York Times with the notation: “Lenoir Rhyne is really making progress now—even the North prints news about it”.

But judging from the mail, the program’s appeal also struck the fancy of

many others.

From Waukegan, Ill., G. Edward Link wrote, “Congratulations on your noble experiment . . . Hope it proves a great success”.

From Memorial high school in West New York, N. J., a man wrote, “Bravo to you for your enterprising, wise and friendly undertaking . . . My friends and I extend our admiration to you. It proves again that our young people are responsible and wise, and so enthusiastic about democracy that they take active steps to spread it”.

From Baltimore, Md., Miss Barbara E. Slocum described the operation as “a unique idea” and “a pleasant way to spread propaganda”.

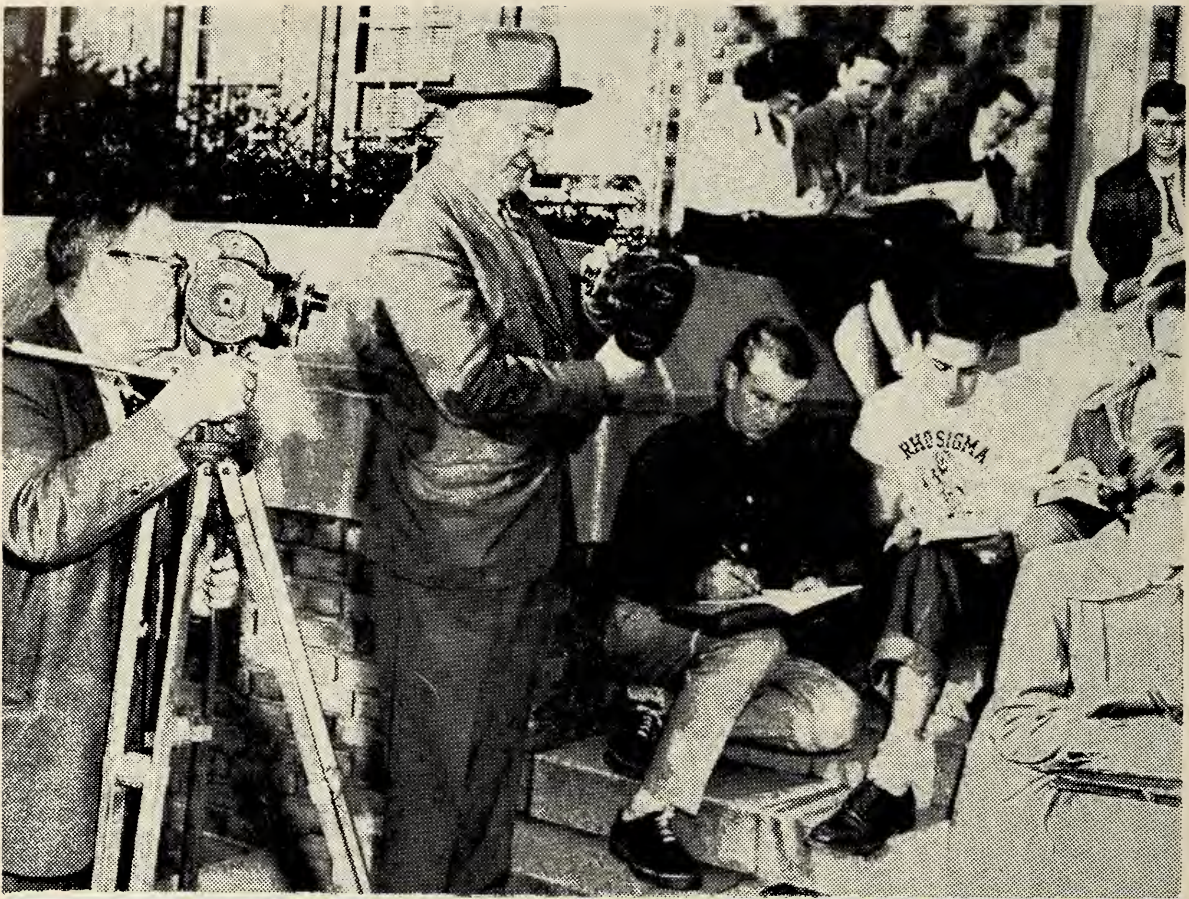
True to form, the project did receive one adverse comment. The complaint came from the mid-west and was stapled to a front page of the February 3 issue of “The Worker”, published in New York City.

No article on the news sheet related to the project, but a page torn from Life magazine pictured the students with the

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ROBERT W. KELLEY, photographer for Life Magazine is shown on ladder in the process of making the color photo which appeared in the February issue of LIFE.





Newsreels and television contributed greatly in telling the story of "Operation Bottles" to their nation-wide audiences. M. D. Cook of Fox-Movietone News focuses his camera on Lenoir Rhyne students writing Chinese letters as Oscar Goodman of Paramount prepares to take more shots in the above picture. Below Miss Barbara Olson of the CBS national television show, "It's News to Me", poses with the bottles and letters she used on her coast-to-coast broadcast.



Miss Chieko Kishi, Lenoir Rhyne student from Tokyo, Japan, helps "Operation Bottles" by writing a letter to an Oriental neighbor under the grinding lens of Paramount Cameraman Oscar Goodman. Below Lenoir Rhyne's president, Dr. Voigt R. Cromer, discusses phases of the project as students of the bottle committee make final preparation for shipment of one thousand messages.

1952 A CAPPELLA CHOIR To Tour State Of North Carolina

The Lenoir Rhyne a cappella choir opened its 1952 sacred concert season with performances in Lincolnton and Dallas on Sunday, February 24.

The fifty - eight - voice group, directed by Prof. Kenneth B. Lee, head of

March 16; and to Resurrection, Kings Mountain and Holy Trinity, Gastonia on March 23.

The choir will also sing at Center Grove church in Kannapolis and St. James church in Concord April 6.

A program of fourteen



the Lenoir Rhyne music department, will conclude its season with the traditional Hickory presentation on Sunday, May 11.

Performances for the season will range from Morganton to Wilmington, nineteen in number. Six presentations will be made during a one week tour into Eastern North Carolina from April 27 to May 1.

All concerts will be presented in North Carolina Lutheran churches, with the exception of one at the State Mental hospital at Morganton on March 19. The choir will also sing the same evening at Calvary Lutheran church in Morganton.

The one-week tour will carry the choir to Grace church at Thomasville and First church in Greensboro on Sunday, April 27; to Trinity church at Sanford on Monday, to Trinity church at Rocky Mount on Tuesday, St. Paul's church in Wilmington on Wednesday, and St. James' church at Fayetteville on Thursday.

Opening appearances were made at Emmanuel church at Lincolnton and Holy Communion church at Dallas in February.

Three Sunday trips in March sends the choir to St. John's, Concord, and St. John's, Salisbury on March 9; St. Martin's, Albemarle, and Holy Trinity, Charlotte on

selections and six optional numbers is offered by the group this year.

New numbers added to the repertoire this year are "Let All the Nations Praise the Lord" (Leisring), "Plorate Filii Israel" (Carissimi), "O Gladsome Light" (Gretchaninoff), "Praise to the Lord" (F. M. Christiansen), "Hodie Christus Natus Est" (Healey Willan), "Yea, Though I Wander" (G. Schumann), "A Snow Mountain" (F. M. Christiansen), "Bread of Tears" (Paul Christiansen), "Beautiful Savior" (Crusaders' Hymn), "Benedictus" (Liszt), "Glory Be to God on High" (Rachmaninoff), "A Cradle Hymn" (Christiansen), "Exaltation" (Christiansen), "Ho-La-Li"

(Bavarian carol arranged by Luvaas), and "Take, Oh! Take Those Lips Away" (Moore). The last three are included as optional numbers.

Selections also presented last year are "Built on a Rock" (chorale arranged by Christiansen), "Entrance Scene of Advent Motet" (Schreck), "Echo Song" (Di Lasso) and "Benediction" (Lutkin). Only the first two are included in the regular program this year.

Choir personnel this year includes nineteen sopranos, fourteen altos, twelve tenors and thirteen basses.

"Erminie" Semi-classical Musical Production

Presented By Junior Class and Music Department

Lenoir Rhyne's second modern attempt at semi-classical musical productions was initiated last month by the class of 1953.

"Erminie," a Comic-light opera in four acts, played to appreciative audiences in the Hickory City Auditorium for a four-performance run, February 19-20.

The production featured a cast of fourteen soloists, a twenty-four voice course, and a twenty-four piece orchestra under the direction of Professor Robin F. Gatwood, associate director of music.

The Junior class will use the proceeds received from this production to defray class expenses until graduation. The bulk of the profits will be used for entertaining the class of 1952 in the annual Junior-Senior banquet, to be held sometime this spring.

Idea of comic light operas to replace the variety show, "Kampus Kapers", was instituted last year when the class of 1952 presented Gilbert and Sullivan's operetta, "The Mikado."

Total attendance for the four performances of "Erminie" was approximately sixteen hundred, including one matinee performance for the school children of Hickory and Catawba County.

Singing, acting, direction and production

received high praise from the Hickory Daily Record critic, Mrs. Mabel Miller Rowe, who noted in particular the vocal solos by leading principals.

Leading romantic characterizations were played by Carl Ritchie of Charlotte (Eugene) and Miss Mary Anne Styles of Asheville (Erminie).

Comedy leads, in the form of two clowning thieves, brought to the stage Jim Daniel of Henderson (Ravannes) and Raymond Petrea of Burlington (Cadeaux).

Other leads were played by Ray Thomas of Statesville, Bill Ridenhour of Albemarle, Ernest Bolick of Southmont, Jimmy Coggin of Kannapolis, Miss Martha Jane Winecoff of Kannapolis, Miss Alice Ray Pitts of Newton, Miss Orchard Hord of Concord, Miss Valerie Morrow of Gastonia and Miss Betty Sue Klutz of Granite Quarry.

Members of the chorus were (sopranos) Miss Anne Cline of Granite Falls, Miss Anne Fisher of Spindale, Miss Virginia Hahn of Lansdowne, Pa., Miss Phyllis Karriker of Mooresville, Miss Mary Olson of Jacksonville, Fla., Miss Sarah Pascoe of Blacksburg, Va.,

(Altos) Miss Betty Barringer of Kan-

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Ladies of the court dance and sing while the men drink and sing in the colorful opening scene of the musical extravaganza, "Erminie", presented in the Hickory City auditorium February 19-20 by Lenoir Rhyne students. The production, sponsored by the Junior class and directed by the department of music, played to more than 1600 people during the four-performance run. Music was furnished by a 24-piece pit orchestra under the direction of Prof. Robin F. Gatwood.

20th South Atlantic Forensic Tournament Held On Campus

University of Florida won in men's debating and Wake Forest college took honors in the women's division, but Lenoir Rhyne ruled individual speaking contests in the twentieth annual South Atlantic Forensic tournament by winning twelve awards.

The Lenoir Rhyne debaters, hosts to the tournament which ended March 1, won fourteen debates and lost fourteen to fall in a tie for seventh place with Duke university, East Carolina college, Mars Hill college and Milligan college.

The tournament, featuring seven rounds of debating, was held in St. Andrew's Lutheran church and entered by sixteen Southern colleges and universities. One hundred and one students representing nineteen states in the East took part.

Five Lenoir Rhyne students walked off with first places in the individual contests. Mrs. Lorene Huffman Painter of Hickory won the standard oratory; Donald Douglas Abernethy of Newton took the situation oratory; Miss Faye Erwin of Forest City took the women's division of the same contest; Miss Connie Bertolet of Hamilton Square, N. J., won the radio extemporaneous speaking; and Miss Lois-Anne DeOrsey of Providence, R. I., won the radio poetry reading contest.

Six other Lenoir Rhyne students won either second or third place in their respective divisions.

In addition to the schools listed, the student speakers represented Georgetown college of Georgetown, Ky., George Washington university of Washington, D. C., Roanoke college of Salem, Va., Tennessee Polytechnic institute of Cookeville, Tenn., Maryville college of Maryville, Tenn., Carson-Newman college of Jefferson City, Tenn., Georgetown university of Washington, D. C., Appalachian State Teachers college of Boone, and East Tennessee State college of Johnson City, Tenn.

H. G. Fisher of Spindale and Brady Fagart of Concord held the first affirmative position for Lenoir Rhyne winning four debates and losing three. Jeff Norris of Burlington and Harold Skinner of Rocky Mount, the first negative team, won three and lost four.

Miss Bettie Jean Morehead of Shelby and Miss Frances Thompson of Hickory formed the second affirmative team which won four debates and lost three. The second negative group, composed of John K. Miller of Maiden and William E. Wallace of Hickory, won three debates and lost four.

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New Publication Heads To Take Office May 1, 1952

Two out-of-state students, one a Yankee and the other a Southerner, will direct the publications at Lenoir Rhyne next year.

Seth Crapps, a junior from Leesville, S. C., will serve as editor of the student newspaper, the Lenoir Rhynean, and Warren Danley, a junior from Havertown, Pa., will edit the student annual, the Hacawa.

Their associates will be Charles Gardenhour of Smithsburg, Md., business manager of the newspaper, and Ben Shumate of Jacksonville, business manager of the annual.

The quartet was elected during a general student body election on the campus February 12.

Also named were Miss Faye Robinson of Gastonia, secretary-treasurer of the student government; and Miss Frances Brown of Danville, Va., and Virgil Whitley of Stanley, Freshman class representatives to the student government cabinet.

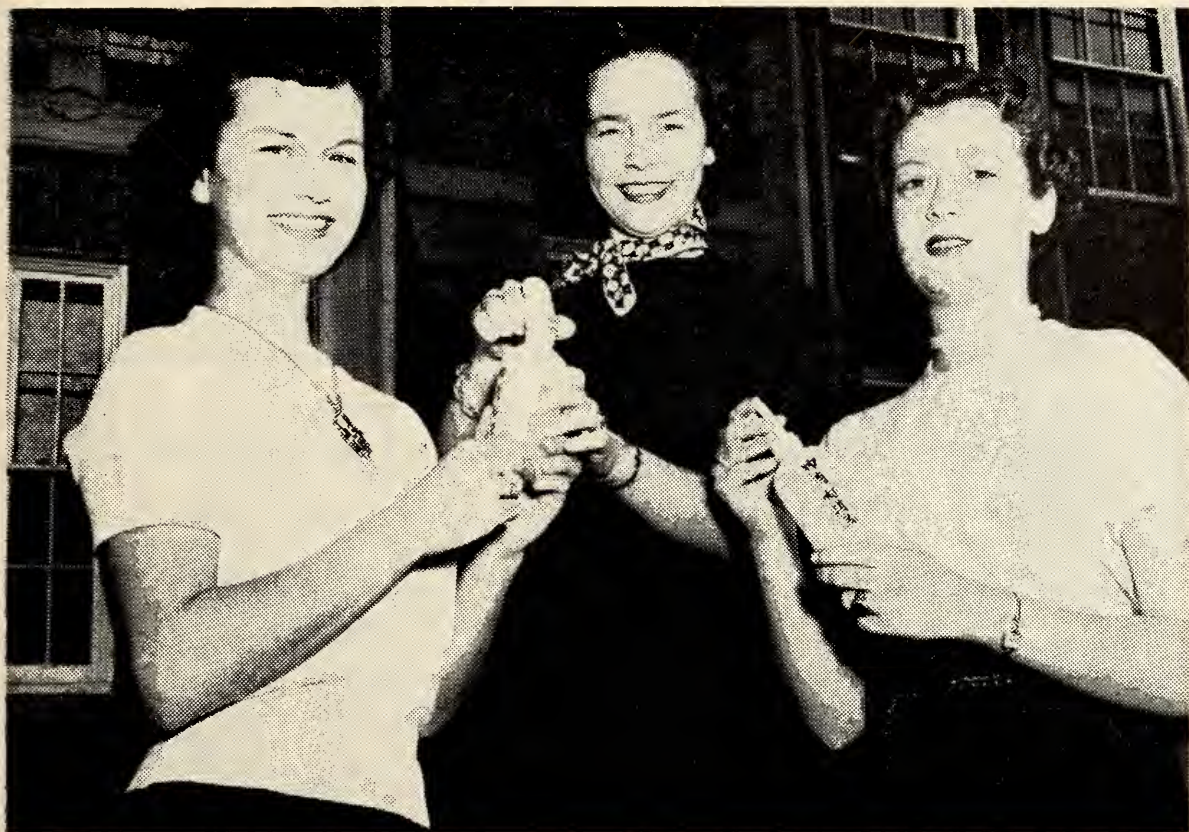
An out-of-state editor of the Hacawa is not unusual at Lenoir Rhyne (the 1950 co-editors were Fae and Mae Long of Savannah), but for both posts to go to "outsiders" is a rare feat. Crapps' election as Lenoir Rhynean editor broke a ten-year reign by Tar Heels, begun in 1941 when John Mangum of Brunswick, Ga., completed his year as editor.

The new newspaper editor defeated Bob Troutman of Statesville for the position and succeeds Paul Conrad of Salisbury.

Danley, new editor of the annual, defeated Miss Nancy Knox of Clover, S. C. He will succeed Miss Mary Julia Beam of Cherryville.

Student government officers for next year will be elected during the annual May elections.

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Three Lenoir Rhyne lovelies demonstrate the functions of the essential elements of "Operation Bottles", a college project designed to send 1,000 personal friendly messages to the people of Communist-dominated China. Miss Roberta Walcher of Rincon, Ga., holds one of the tiny plastic bottles as Miss Orchard Hord of Concord inserts a personal letter written in the Chinese language. At the right, Miss Anne Fisher of Spindale inserts also a cigarette with the messages. Other small articles of American productivity and usefulness were included in the bottles.

Enrollment Shows Little Decline for 2nd Semester

Enrollment at Lenoir Rhyne decreased only twenty-one students with the advent of the second semester, according to the college dean and registrar, Prof. E. L. Setzler.

Seven hundred and fifty-six students are at present attending classes at the local college as compared with 777 with the Fall registration. The drop was less than one-third of last year's semester decrease of 79 students.

By sexes, the loss amounted to thirteen women and eight men, leaving present enrollment at 324 women and 432 men.

Upper classes increased during the semester change, while underclassmen, commercial students and special students generally decreased slightly. Only the number of Saturday school students, twenty, remained the same for both semesters.

Present class enrollment, as compared to first semester enrollment, is as follows: seniors, 150 (10 more); juniors, 144 (4 more); sophomores, 188 (7 less); freshmen, 208 (24 less); one-year commercial students, 31 (3 less); special students, 15 (1 less); and Saturday students, 20 (no change).

New National Frat Chartered At L R

Chi Beta Phi, national honorary science fraternity, established its nineteenth chapter in the United States on the campus of Lenoir Rhyne early in March.

Grand officers visited the Hickory college March 8, to install ten students as new members, five of them officers.

Miss Jean Cook of Kannapolis is the first president of the Lenoir Rhyne chapter.

Membership is open to those students who major in science and maintain an average of 80 or above in all college courses.

Other officers are Jim Todd of Charlotte, vice-president; Miss Rachel Putnam of Hickory; secretary; Arvo Ederma of Norco, Calif., treasurer; and Sam Rhyne of Dallas, chaplain.

Other members are Ray Abernathy of Hiddenite, John Beam of Gastonia, Phil Bush of Lenoir, Alvin Houck of Granite Falls and Hubert McCain of High Point.

The national fraternity, organized in 1916, now has nineteen chapters with a combined membership of 4,000. Headquarters are located at Marshall college in Huntington, W. Va.

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MYSTIC FIVE COPS N S TOURNEY

Pull up a chair and have a seat . . . for we're warning you beforehand this is better than a fairy story!

It's entitled Basketball—Lenoir Rhyne style—as played in 1951-52 and includes all the Bear cagers. And the amazing thing about it is that it's true . . .

Once upon a time, 1951-52 to be precise, there was a Lenoir Rhyne cage team with only 3 returning lettermen and a wise coach. The monogrammers were Co-Captains Tony Sellari and Jimmie "Bull" Newsome along with forward Ed Pawlak. The Coach—Jim "Pappy" Hamilton.

"Pappy", bless his soul, decided his 3 veteran chilluns needed company through a long winter, so he played the role of Good Samaritan and combined the talents of a few talented freshmen and a couple of reserves to make up a hardwood outfit.

Well, this team wasn't quite good enough to retain the regular season championship of the North State which the Bruin cagers had won the year before—or "Pappy" and his men didn't want to seem hoggish.

Tabbed the "Mystic 5" for their often brilliant, frequently erratic play, the Lenoir Rhyne basketeters wound up in a fifth-place tie during the regular-season with a 7-7 record. They managed to win 11 and drop 12 during the whole season.

But then came the annual tourney in Statesville to determine the loop champion. The Bears weren't rated much chance to even go past the first round, much less any further.

They did, though! The "Mystics" mystified everyone the first day by walloping a highly-regarded, third-seeded East Carolina quint, 85-73. Guilford's Quakers upset favored Appalachian and thereby gained the right to meet the Bears in the semi-finals, but Lenoir Rhyne rolled right along, winning by 71-65.

Then came the finals—Lenoir Rhyne matched against the potent Purple Panthers of High Point for the championship. "Pappy's Pepperpots" were never behind as they ripped the Panthers to shreds, 74-59, for the North State title.

That's the whole story, truly a fairy tale ending.

The satin-smooth Sellari wiped two re-

cords off the tourney books. He set an individual high of 36 points against East Carolina, followed up with 28 tallies against Guilford and 17 more against High Point for the new tournament high of 81 points, a 27 point average per fray.

Sellari stood out throughout the season for the Bears. His total of 548 points is the highest in Lenoir Rhyne history, his average of 21.1 points for 26 games is the first time a Bruin cager has finished with such an average. He tied the old record of 33 points in one game against Atlantic Christian, then set a new all-time school high of 36 against ECC.

Tony wasn't the whole ball club by a long shot, though, for Co-Captain Newsome enjoyed the best season of his career. His center play was excellent throughout the year which led his coach to classify him as one of the top pivoters in the North State.

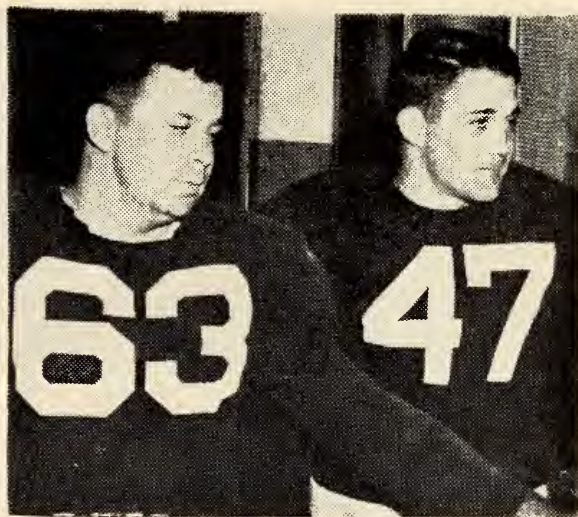
Pawlak was hampered with bad ankles, but he turned in some good games also. The cream of the crop, however, were those terrific freshmen who stepped into starting roles and played with the poise and finesse of experienced men.

There's sharpshooting Roland Barker who really added some zing at the other forward when he teamed with the great Mr. Sellari. And the guards turned out to be one of the best combines in the league by the end of the year. The colorful Raymond "Rusty" Reid was cool all along, while Paul (Alphabet) Lojpersberger won the admiration of all for his sensational rebounding.

Two more outstanding newcomers, Ed Probel and Frank Hassell, gave promise of lots to come in future years. Probel, though he saw only limited duty, managed to poke in enough points during his short stay to rank right up among the regulars with his dead-eye scoring. Hassell came in and helped lots when needed. Dan Keister and Elmer Lutz came on to take over as reserves for Reid and Lope.

"Pappy" Hamilton deserves plenty of praise for his taking an inexperienced bunch of boys and making them the champions of the North State for 1952.

Co-captains of next year's Lenoir Rhyne College Bear football squad are shown at right following their election by teammates. Quarterback Jim Garrett is at left; Sid Wilson (47) is a Bear linebacker. Both men will be seniors next year.



1951-52 BASKETBALL RESULTS

BEARS—81	*Charleston Navy	34
BEARS—56	*Newberry	62
BEARS—71	*Presbyterian (overtime)	72
BEARS—65	Western Carolina	58
BEARS—70	Western Carolina	72
BEARS—77	*Wofford	78
BEARS—63	Appalachian	86
BEARS—96	Catawba	71
BEARS—61	Atlantic Christian	59
BEARS—61	High Point	57
BEARS—65	*Presbyterian	72
BEARS—68	Elon	77
BEARS—67	*Wofford	84
BEARS—80	Guilford	65
BEARS—54	Appalachian	73
BEARS—69	*DeHart	65
BEARS—79	Atlantic Christian	60
BEARS—82	Catawba	65
BEARS—52	Guilford	68
BEARS—58	High Point	60
BEARS—84	*Newberry	51
BEARS—76	*DeHart	68
BEARS—78	Elon	86

NORTH STATE TOURNEY

BEARS—85	East Carolina	73
BEARS—71	Guilford (semi-finals)	65
BEARS—74	High Point (finals)	59

Totals 1843 1741

Average: Bears—70.1; opponents—66.9.

*Denotes non-conference games.

North State—Won 7; Lost 7

Overall—Won 14; Lost 12.

Can Spring Be Far Away?

With the coming of Spring, most of the sports attention at Lenoir Rhyne focuses on baseball, the American pastime. And this should be a fine year for the Bears on the diamond because practically the same club that wound up in second place last season returns intact.

Coach Troy Washam lost only five men off last year's fine team. The entire pitching corps of C. A. Frye, Bill Barkley, and Leo Kantorski departed along with first-baseman Willard Neighbors and outfielder Odell Moose via graduation. Lettermen are back to fill every post with the exception of the initial sack and the mound.

Heading the list of returnees is three times All-Stater, shortstop Paul "Cooter" Jones. Jones is the Captain, one of the

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Shown above are the 1952 champions of the North State conference basketball season, who downed East Carolina, Guilford and High Point at Statesville last month to win the annual conference tournament and subsequent title of champion. Co-captains "Bull" Newsome and Tony Sellari are shown holding basketballs behind Assistant Coach Leo Katorski, Coach Jim "Pappy" Hamilton and Manager Donald Woolly.



Enthusiastic Meetings

Two New Alumni Chapters Organized

Two county chapters of the Lenoir Rhyne Alumni association held their first meetings of several years in January and February and set in motion regular programs with the election of new officers.

Approximately forty were present for the Catawba county chapter meeting in the Lenoir Rhyne dining hall on January 25, but more than sixty turned out for the Rowan county meeting in Salisbury on February 7.

C. Miller Sigmon of Hickory, '41, was elected president of Catawba group following an energetic vote. Other alumni nominated were P. W. Deaton of Hickory, '24, and E. Preston Rhyne, Jr., of Hickory, '50.

Rhyne was later elected vice-president, and Miss Ann Miller of Hickory, '37, was named secretary-treasurer.

In addition, Mrs. J. A. Moretz of Hickory, '03, and Rufus Rhyne of Newton, '32, were named executive committee members-at-large.

Heading the Rowan chapter this year will be Paul A. Shue of Landis, '36, president; John Frank DeMarcus of China Grove, '47, vice-president; and Miss Mabel Christine Patterson of Kannapolis, '49, secretary-treasurer.

Sigmon takes over the Catawba reigns as successor to Max Steelman of Hickory, '29. Preston Rhyne succeeds Rufus Rhyne as vice-president, and Miss Miller takes over the secretary-treasurer position from Rev. Leslie Conrad, Jr., of Philadelphia, Pa., '41.

Alumni of the Rowan area voted to form a new county organization.

The two meetings were the first in a series to be held this year in an effort to increase the number of active chapters, according to Earl L. Aiken, executive secretary.

Other meetings are being tentatively scheduled in Gaston, Lincoln and Cabarrus counties and at Columbia, S. C., in the early spring and summer, he indicated.

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LENOIR RHYNE COLLEGE IS ONLY AS STRONG AS YOUR SUPPORT

NEWS OF THE ALUMNI

Miss Betty Cooke, '51, of Hildebran is now teaching public school music at the Pleasant Garden School near Marion, N. C. Her address is: care Pleasant Garden School, Marion, N. C.

Billy Ray Jones, '51, of Statesville, N. C., is now teaching and coaching at Celeste Henkle High School near Statesville. His address is: Sharpe Street, Statesville, N. C.

William Clyde Ramseur, Jr., '52, has accepted a position in the accounting department with Johnson Motor Lines of Charlotte. His address is: 2031 Crescent Avenue, Charlotte, N. C.

D. J. "Nick" Mando, '40, recently announced his candidacy for the office of vice-president of District 2 of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, at a meeting in Mocksville. Mr. Mando is also a member of the Rotary Club, superintendent of the Sunday school of the First Presbyterian church; County Chairman of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis and a member of the Mocksville Recreation Committee. Mr. Mando was selected "Young Man of the Year" in 1950. His address is: Mocksville, N. C.

Sam Carpenter, '48, is now make-up editor in the linotype department for the Charlotte News. His address is: 307 N. Academy St., Lincolnton, N. C.

Weyburn Seabock, '51, of Hickory, has accepted a position with the Southern Bell Telephone Company of Hickory. His address is: Route 2, Box 388, Hickory, N. C.

Miss Jackie Meekins, '52, of High Point, has accepted a position as parish worker at St. Marks Lutheran Church in Davenport, Iowa. She is also attending school at Augustana Lutheran College. Her address is: 220 North Elmwood Avenue, Davenport, Iowa.

Lt. Henry Longenberger, '41, recently received the Bronze Star Medal in Korea for heroic achievement against the enemy while serving with the Marines. Lt. Longenberger is now stationed at the troop training command, Bainbridge, Md. His home address is: 606 Hepburn St., Milton, Pa.

James F. Hunt, '44, is choir director and organist at Salem American Lutheran Church in Detroit. Mr. Hunt is also a concert organist and has a choral group at Groose Point, Michigan. He is at present

dean of the Eastern Michigan chapter of the American Guild of Organists. His address is: 4745 Maxwell, Detroit 13, Michigan.

Laiz Lessa, '50, of Rio de Janeiro, is now doing graduate work at the Southeastern Baptist Seminary. Lessa is taking classes in Bible, missions, and religious education, in preparing himself to organize Royal Ambassador societies in Brazil. This is a Baptist organization for boys which emphasizes the study of foreign missions. His address is: Southeastern Baptist Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C.

Rev. James K. Cobb, '42, resigned as pastor of Philadelphia Lutheran church in Granite Falls, to accept a call to become pastor of the Rader Lutheran Parish, Timberville, Va. The call became effective February 15. His address is: Timberville, Va.

Rev. Jacob H. Young, '47, recently accepted a call to Zion Lutheran Church, Hickory. He came to Zion from Ceres, Virginia. His address is: Route 2, Hickory, N. C.

Robert L. Coons, '13, died February 14, at the Charlotte hospital. Mr. Coons was general secretary of the Charlotte Young Men's Christian Association. Funeral services were held Saturday, February 16, at the First Presbyterian church in Winston-Salem. Mrs. Coon is the former Ethel Mosteller of Hickory.

Earl Frye, '52, of Newton, has accepted a position as commerce teacher in the Clover City schools. His address is: Clover High School, Clover, S. C.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Foster of Salisbury, announce the birth of a daughter, Jean Annette, on July 13, 1951. Mrs. Foster is the former Pauline Blankenship, '46, of Taylorsville. Mr. Foster is a representative for the B. F. Goodrich Company. Their address is: 217 Hillcrest Place, Salisbury, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Beam, '49, of Columbia, S. C., announce the birth of a daughter, Noel Alisande, on January 13, 1952. Mrs. Beam is the former Jane Hamilton of Hickory. Mr. Beam is a student at the

Southern Lutheran Theological Seminary. Their address is: care the Lutheran Seminary, Columbia, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Frew of Cadiz, Ohio announce the birth of a son, Thomas David, on November 25, 1951. Mrs. Frew is the former Rachel Wilson, '40. Their address is: Cadiz, Ohio.

Rev. and Mrs. Malcolm Reese of Shelby, announce the birth of a daughter Doris, on January 13, at the Gastonia hospital. Rev. Reese is formerly of Hickory and a member of the '32 class at Lenoir Rhyne. Mrs. Reese is the former Doris Harrison of Jarvisburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Shaw II, '50, of Greensboro announce the birth of a son, Robert Flake III, on December 26. Mrs. Shaw is the former Frances Gathwright, formerly of Atlanta. Their address is: Route 2, Greensboro, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. William R. Paules of Charlotte, announce the birth of a son, William, Jr., in January. Mrs. Paules is the former Betty Wolf, '47. Their address is: 2101 Kirkwood Ave., Apartment 5, Charlotte, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry G. Mayfield, Jr., of Columbia, S. C., announce the birth of a son, on January 6. Mrs. Mayfield is the former Sue Safrin, '50, of Kannapolis. Mr. Mayfield is a member of the '51 class.

Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Ridenhour, of Statesville, announce the birth of a daughter, Sharon Marie, on Sunday, January 27. Mrs. Ridenhour is the former Evelyn Wise, '50, of High Point. Rev. Ridenhour, '48, is pastor of Sharon and Mt. Herman Lutheran churches. Their address is: Route 6, Statesville.

Dr. and Mrs. Auburn Lee Poovey, announce the birth of a daughter, Rebecca Joyce, on February 19, at the Hickory Memorial hospital. Mrs. Poovey is the former Mary Gladys Fisher, '43, of Landis. Dr. Poovey is a member of the class of '38. Their address is: 619 Second Street, N. E., Hickory, N. C.

WEDDING BELLS

Miss Emma Jean Leonard, '47, of Hickory and Lenoir became the bride of Pfc. Herndon Lee Franklin of Lenoir, on January 25, at the Zion Lutheran Church near Hickory. For the past three years Mrs. Franklin has held a position with the Barger-Ashe Roofing Company in Lenoir. Pfc. Franklin is at present stationed at Fort Jackson, S. C. Their address is:

care Barger-Ashe Roofing Co., Lenoir, N. C.

Miss Ina Frances Penland, '47, of Hickory and Fort Wayne, Indiana, and Arthur Allen Benish of Detroit, Michigan, and Fort Wayne, were married on Saturday afternoon, January 19, at the Wayne Street Methodist church in Fort Wayne. Mrs. Benish is at present employed as Director of Christian Education at the Wayne Street Methodist church, and Mr. Benish is connected with John R. Worthman, Inc., in Fort Wayne. Their address is: care Wayne Street Methodist Church.

Miss Mary Sue Sigmon of Hickory and Robert Barnett, '51, of Hickory were married in St. Andrews Lutheran church on December 23. Mrs. Barnett is a student at Lenoir Rhyne and Mr. Barnett is at present in the Naval school of music. Their address is: 735 Sixth St., N. E., Hickory.

Miss Martha Virginia Reinhardt became the bride of Nollie Moore Patton, Jr., on January 19, at the First Methodist church in Newton. Mr. Patton is now employed in Charlotte, where they will make their home.

Miss Beaufort G. Jones, '52, of Gastonia, and Harvey L. Bost of Hickory, are planning to be married in the late summer. Miss Jones' address is 604 N. Highland Street, Gastonia. Mr. Bost is now connected with the Hy-Lan Furniture Company in Hickory. His address is: 413 Fifth Street, S. W., Hickory, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Arndt of Claremont announce the engagement of their daughter, Doloris Irene, of Lenoir, to Hugh I. Setzer, Jr., of Newton. The wedding will take place in June. Miss Arndt, '51, is now teaching at the Kings Creek High School near Lenoir. Her address is: care Kings Creek High School, Lenoir, N. C.

Miss Nancy Elsie Kirby, '51, of Charleston, S. C., and James E. Phillips, '49, of Hickory and Washington, D. C., were married on February 23, in St. Matthews Lutheran church, at Charleston. After their wedding trip they will reside in Washington.

Miss Willodene Hook, '52, of Bessemer City, and Wilfong (Bill) Frazier, '51, of Lenoir, are planning to be married in June. Mr. Frazier is now holding a teaching position in Lenoir. His address is: 308 East Avenue, Lenoir, and Miss Hooks address is: 321 Maryland Avenue, Bessemer City, N. C.

Miss Martha Joyce, '51, of Winston-Salem, became the bride of Steve Ellis, '51, of Shelby, on February 23. Mr. Ellis is at present connected with the Cleveland Hardware Company in Shelby. Their address is: 410 N. Washington Street, Shelby, N. C.

CALLED TO THE COLORS

Lee Moritz, '51, of Conover, is now serving with the U. S. Navy. His address is: USS Hanna DE449, care Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, California.

Thomas L. Lail, '51, recently volunteered for the armed services. His address is: Pvt. Thomas L. Lail, RA 14450446, Co. D. 84th Tank Bn., Third Platoon, Fort Knox, Kentucky.

James Howard Deal, '51, of Newton, N. C., is now serving in the navy. Mr. Deal's address is: Special Services Div., U. S. N. A. S., Norfolk, Virginia.

Jack L. Phillips, '51, Liberty, N. C., has recently been transferred to Officers' Candidate School. His new address is: Jack L. Phillips, O. C. S. A., 497-16-34, Sec. C-4, Officer's Cand. School, U. S. Naval Training Station, Newport, Rhode Island.

Pvt. David L. Hunsucker, '50, has recently been transferred to foreign service. His address is: B Btrty 107th. FA Bn., 28th Inf. Div., APO 111, care PM, New York, N. Y.

Jack Cloninger, '51, of Dallas, recently volunteered for the army. Pfc. Cloninger's address is: RA 14450525, Co. "D" 761 TK Bn Res. Com., Third Arm. Div., Fort Knox, Kentucky.

Pvt. Reid E. LaFone, '51, of Hickory, has recently been transferred from Fort Jackson, S. C., to Camp Kilmer, N. J. His address is: U S 53102833 1277 A S U, Det. 17, Replacement Section, Camp Kilmer, N. J.

Raymond M. (Mike) Neff, '51, of Rural Retreat, Virginia, is now serving with the armed forces. His address is: Pfc. Raymond M. Neff, U S 52127235, Hdq. and Hdqs. Btry., 25th Field Art. Bn., 10th Inf. Div., Fort Riley, Kansas.

Cpl. Carl R. McGinnis, '50, of Kings Mountain, has recently been transferred to foreign service. His address is: U S 53018612, 205th Signal Repair Co., A P O 301 care Postmaster, San Francisco, California.

LRC Organizations Elect

Eleven student organizations elected new officers at the opening of the second semester on the campus January 28, seven of them social fraternities and societies.

New president of the literary society is Miss Jane Sigmon of Cameron, who succeeds Miss Catherine Bowden of Hickory. Present head of the Diakonian club is Carl Ritchie of Charlotte, successor to Daniel Sain of Belwood.

Members of the I R C selected Phil Bush of Lenoir as their new president to succeed Miss Ida Mae Norris of Burlington; Lettermen's club members named Tony Sellari of New Kensington, Pa., as new president to replace George Robison of Erie, Pa.

The seven social groups on the campus electing new officers included four fraternities and three societies.

C. G. Turner, Jr., of Hickory is the new president of the oldest fraternity, Rho Sigma, succeeding Melford Bolick, also of Hickory. Earl McCombs of Kannapolis replaces Everette Dellinger of Hickory as president of Gamma Beta Chi; Gene Abercrombie of Shelby replaces Brady Faggart of Concord as president of Eta Delta Zeta; and Robert Lippard of Belmont replaces Donald Phillips of Hickory as president of Kappa Sigma Kappa, Lenoir Rhyne's youngest fraternity.

Among the women's groups, Mrs. Trudy Harris of Hickory replaces Miss Mary Olson of Jacksonville, Fla., as president of the Sphinx; Miss Nancy Foil of Kannapolis succeeds Miss Lois McEachern of Concord as president of the Philias; and Miss Jo Anne Hall of Salisbury takes over the position held by Miss Betty Robinson of Hickory, president of the Les Amies.

The following former L. R. student is not on the mailing list of Alumni Bulletin, and as a booster of the Lenoir Rhyne Alumni Association I hereby submit this name and address for the files of the Association.

Name of Sender:

Name of Former Student

Street Address or Box Number

City

State

If above is married woman give name before marriage

The World Learns About LR

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bottles. The complete letter read as follows:

"Why not stay at home and try to civilize the 155 million Americans here in the USA."

Dr. Voigt R. Cromer's reply to the letter read as follows:

"Communists not only encircle the globe to fill the air with their blatant propaganda, but they also insist that everybody who does not agree with them must remain silent. We who have different opinions therefore refuse to keep our convictions to ourselves."

The main question on the project (its effectiveness) is still unanswered. That the shipment of bottles has been dropped in the Yellow Sea to land between Shanghai and Tsingtao is no longer in doubt. Drew Pearson, Washington columnist and ABC radio commentator who has aided in the program and reported on it in two of his nation-wide Sunday evening broadcasts, has confirmed that. That some Chinese knew about the project and were looking out for the bottles has also been confirmed by a reliable source. That one bottle turned up on a battlefield in Korea is also known.

But Lenoir Rhyne students still wonder: "What will the average Chinese do when and if he gets one of the bottles?" They hope they may learn sometime.

"Erminie" Semi-classical Musical

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napolis, Miss Anne Ross Boyd of Salisbury, Miss Sara Froneberger of Cherryville, Miss Jo Anne Hall of Salisbury, Miss Bonnie LaFone of Hickory, Miss Mary Medlin of Kings Mountain,

(Tenors) Oscar Coulter of Spruce Pine, Robert Huddle of Williamsport, Md., Don Michael of Concord, John C. Nesbitt of Fletcher, Bill Tolen of Thomasville,

(Bass) Willis Abernethy of Hildebran, Paul B. Beatty of Charlotte, Hoke Goodman of Salisbury, Lewis Kyles of Taylorsville, Gene Mauney of Kings Mountain, Paul Smith of Kannapolis and Roy Trexler of Granite Falls.

Members of the Hickory Little Symphony served in the orchestra.

New National Frat

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Organization at Lenoir Rhyne increased to three the number of national honor and recognition fraternity chapters, with a total membership of seventeen. At present the Alpha Psi Omega honorary dramatics fraternity has four members; the Pi Kappa Delta honorary forensic fraternity has three members.

Twentieth South Atlantic

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Dr. Albert Keiser of Lenoir Rhyne, director and founder of the tournament, was given an honorary salute by students and coaches present at the traditional tournament banquet. The participants, in a signed letter, thanked Lenoir Rhyne and Dr. Keiser for the "helpfulness" and "efficiency" of the tournament in recognition of the meet's twentieth anniversary.

Can Spring Be Far Away?

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finest fielders and hitters in collegiate ball, and should be in for a great year.

Billy Megginson returns to his old key-stone post, while Charlie Camp should be at third when the season opens. Two-time All-Conference Giles "Nanners" Setzer is back in centerfield flanked by Jerry Robinson in right and All-State Gene Robinson in left. Bill "Shorty" Crook is the backstop.

Others coming back who saw action last season include outfielders Bill Watts and Mark Lyerly and catcher Joe Wessinger. Several freshmen are also counted on for lots of duty. Brightest prospect of the newcomers is basketballer Roland Barker, the Hazard, Ky., hurler who struck out 21 men in the Region 4 tournament here last August. Raymond "Rusty" Reid can play anywhere, and there are infielders Billy Walters, Freddie Lohr, and Joe Helms who ought to help, too.

Washam's men are going all out to move in and capture that tricky title which has just eluded them the three past seasons. The Bruins finished third for two years before moving up to second place last spring.

Tennis and Track

Lenoir Rhyne continues to write headlines in the three major sports, but track and tennis have not fared too well for the past couple of years. Better showings in these two sports is hoped for this year.

Coach William Brandon of the Bear tracksters, who'll have Jim "Pappy" Hamilton as an assistant, is expecting to put together a cinder squad good enough to stand up under conference competition. A schedule hasn't been drawn up yet, but the trackmen hope to meet Davidson, and they will compete in the annual North State track meet.

Tennis lost three of its top men with the departure of Gene Winfree, Bob Moser, and Joe Shumate. Only No. Four man Roy Bailey will be back as a nucleus for the net outfit of Coach Clarence Stasavich. Several tennisters have indicated they'll try out for the team, so maybe things won't be too bad after all.

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BASEBALL SCHEDULE

March 19—Springfiled, Mass., Here

April 3—Presbyterian, There

April 4—Erskine, There

April 5—Newberry, There

April 7—Ohio University, Here

April 14—Appalachian, Here

April 19—Catawba, There

April 23—W C T C, Here

April 24—W C T C, Here

April 26—Catawba, Here

April 28—Appalachian, There

April 30—Appalachian, Here

May 2—Appalachian, There

May 3—Catawba, There

May 6—W C T C, There

May 7—W C T C, There

May 15—Catawba, Here